

passage of this act, to order a bridge to be erected across the Trinity river, at or near where this bridge crosses, and shall have failed for that time to order the erection of such bridge."

On motion of Mr. Walker, the bill and amendment was referred to the committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

On motion of Mr. Potter, the vote postponing until Monday the 5th inst., the following bills was reconsidered.

A bill to provide for patenting Headright Certificates, not presented to the Court of Claims for approval, within the time prescribed by law, and for issuing duplicate and unlocated balance certificates. The bill was read 3rd time and passed.

A bill providing for a preliminary survey for a canal from the Rio Grande to Corpus Christi Bay. Read 2nd time and ordered to be engrossed by the following vote:

YEAS—Messrs. Britton, Chambers, Duggan, Gentry, Hyde, Parsons, Paschal, Pitts, Potter, Quinan, Scarborough, Schleicher, Shepard, Stockdale, Throckmorton, Townes, Whaley and Wigfall—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Dickinson, Fall, Grimes, Guinn, Harman, Hart, Lott, Rains, Rainey, Sims, Walker and Wallace—12.

On motion of Mr. Hyde, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock Monday morning.

TUESDAY, December 6th, 1859.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the Chaplain—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Shepard, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock, A. M., to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, December 7th, 1859.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Throckmorton presented the petition of sundry citizens of Mercer's colony, asking that Mercer's colony certificates may be located upon any of the vacant lands of the State. Referred to the committee on Public Lands.

Mr. Guinn presented the petition of the Grand Jurors of Cherokee county. Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.